

Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial from Stephen Steward, of Anne-Arundel county, setting forth, that he hath sustained damages to the amount of eleven thousand pounds current money, by the wanton depredations of the enemy, and praying relief in the premises; a memorial from Richard Davis, junior, captain in the late colonel Moses Rawlings's regiment, praying the auditor-general may be directed to adjust and settle his account as a recruiting officer; a memorial from William Hindman, William Perry, and Gabriel Duvall, setting forth, that by virtue of a resolve passed last session of assembly, patent issued to William Reed, of Queen-Anne's county, on a tract of land called Wright's Square corrected, which includes about one hundred and fifty acres of land purchased by them from the commissioners of confiscated British property, and praying the same may be taken into consideration; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 6, 1783: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which were read.

A counter petition from William Reed, of Queen-Anne's county, to the memorial of William Hindman, William Perry, and Gabriel Duvall, was preferred and read.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 8, 1783.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Seney appeared in the house. Mr. James Shaw, a delegate returned for Dorchester county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house.

A memorial from John Johnson, of the city of Annapolis, praying an immediate payment of a sum of money due him as commissioner to the southern army, was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Quynn, Mr. N. Worthington, and Mr. B. Worthington, to consider and report thereon.

The memorial of captain Richard Davis, and the petition of Anne Rorer and others, were read the second time, and referred to Mr. Jacob, Mr. Beatty, Mr. Quynn, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Swingle, to consider and report thereon.

The bill for altering the time of holding the courts in Saint Mary's, Charles, Prince-George's, Calvert, and Worcester counties, was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. De Butts and Mr. Digges.

A petition from Thomas Beall, of Montgomery county, praying a law may pass, to lay out part of a tract of land called and known by the name of Dumbarton, as an addition to Georgetown, was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Digges, Mr. Ridgely, and Mr. Quynn, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Gustavus Scott, a delegate returned for Dorchester county (in the room of Mr. Thomas Firman Eccleston, who has resigned), appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house.

Mr. Sulivane has leave of absence.

The petition of Anne Savine, of Cecil county, is referred to next session of assembly.

The engrossed bills, No. 7, 8, and 9, were read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bills thereof, by Mr. Hindman and Mr. Sewell.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to empower the governor and council to issue a commission of oyer and terminer and gaol delivery in certain cases; and Mr. Morris, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Hall, were appointed a committee for that purpose.

On the second reading of the bill to raise the supplies for the year 1784, agreeable to the order of the day, the question was put, That the sum of fifteen shillings be imposed on every hundred pounds worth of property within this state? Determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That the sum of ten shillings be imposed on every hundred pounds worth of property within this state? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Kent appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs	Somerville,	Hall,	Hanson,	Job,	Sewell,	Norris,
	De Butts,	Grahame,	J. Stevenson,	Miller,	Holland,	Love,
	Plowden,	Mackall,	Ridgely,	Digges,	Beatty,	Wheeler,
	Dunn,	Harwood,	Harris,	Magruder,	Shriver,	Swingle,
	B. Worthington,	Ware,	Shaw,	Seney,	Ogle,	Oneale.
	N. Worthington,	Hawkins,	Sulivane,			

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